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DPSCS Names Thomas Sullivan to Lead Office of Inmate Health Services

Veteran Administrator Has Unique Correctional and Medical Background

TOWSON, MD (August 21, 2008)---Thomas P. Sullivan has spent a unique career combining medical training with correctional administration. Now, he'll be able to use both skill sets in a most challenging new job: as the Director of Inmate Health Services for the Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (DPSCS).

Mr. Sullivan is a 26-year veteran of the New Jersey Department of Corrections, where he was both a warden and recognized innovator in the field of educating and treating inmates with serious medical issues.

A graduate of Rutgers University (B.A. and M.A.) with a social work background, Mr. Sullivan is also a fully trained medic and emergency response worker who has 32 continuous Medical Education credits from the New Jersey Academy of Medicine. "I felt my uniqueness for this job was my strong medical and warden's background, a combination very few professionals in our field possess," says Mr. Sullivan.

Mr. Sullivan's law enforcement career includes full police certification, as well as stints as a hostage negotiator, social work supervisor, assistant warden, and warden. His work in reducing violence at the Bay Side State Prison won plaudits from New Jersey correctional and law enforcement administrators.

On the healthcare side of corrections, he has been hailed as a progressive advocate of education and treatment programs for inmates with special needs, such as AIDS. Mr. Sullivan's aggressive approach to healthcare programs was noted in a New York Times article in 1992.

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In his new role here in Maryland, Mr. Sullivan will direct an office with a huge task: overseeing all medical, psychological, treatment, and pharmacy services for more than 28,000 State sentenced inmates and detainees awaiting trial in Baltimore City. Maryland DPSCS' unique multi-vendor approach to contract medical services, a more than \$140-million annual program, has become a model for other states.

The DPSCS Office of Inmate Health Services includes all medical care for the Division of Correction (state prisons and pre-release centers), the Division of Pretrial Detention and Services (Baltimore City), and the Patuxent Institution (the highly acclaimed treatment prison to which offenders must be court-ordered and accepted by the institution).

Mr. Sullivan will report to the DPSCS Office of Treatment Services, which is under the direction of Assistant Secretary Richard Rosenblatt, a longtime veteran of DPSCS who is also a former Assistant Attorney General and former director of the renowned Patuxent Institution.

The leader of DPSCS is Secretary Gary Maynard, who has more than 35 years of corrections experience in four states, and who is a nationally recognized leader in the field.

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